



**Prince Sultan says**

**Armed forces will defend not offend**

BEIRUT, June 13 (SPA) — Defense Minister Prince Sultan said that the armed forces of the Kingdom were at the service of the whole Arab world and that they were meant to protect rather than commit aggression. In an interview with newspapers here Saturday Prince Sultan said these forces had never been used for suppression.

The government has been pursuing a policy of diversifying its sources of arms, he said, and has been buying them from the West because there has been no need yet to buy them from the East, especially because Western arms are considered better and more sophisticated.

"But if our supplies are interrupted," he said "we shall go to any other source to fulfill our needs, since arms have a defensive nature and they do not have a particular nationality or identity."

He pointed out the special position of the Kingdom as a leader of the Islamic world because God had given it the honor of serving the holy places. Also, being in the heart of the Arab world puts greater responsibilities on its leaders. "This is the framework within which we operate and we shall not depart from it. We do not intend to harm anybody and

our enemy is he who commits aggression against us. We have no other enemies," he said.

Prince Sultan denied that the recently formed Gulf Cooperation Council has a defense obligation and he made it clear that the Arab League has long had a joint defense treaty among its member states. The treaty calls on the states to help any member suffering a foreign attack. He said the GCC will be an instrument of service to world peace.

In any case, he said, the question of defense in the GCC is being considered and will be studied during the foreign ministers conference, which will prepare the way for the forthcoming summit meeting in November.

He reiterated the ability of the Gulf states to defend themselves if they united to maintain the security and sovereignty of the region. He also denied the existence of any foreign military bases or facilities in any part of the GCC countries.

Calling on the other Arab states to unite and complement each other, Prince Sultan said the Kingdom was very concerned about the situation in Lebanon and "eager to stop the bloodshed". The stability of Lebanon is crucial and we have to work for the interest of



Prince Sultan the country," he said. He called on the Lebanon leaders of all parties and factions to get together and save the country from foreign interference. Otherwise, instability and anxiety might continue longer.

He said the government took good care of the Lebanese and other Arabs living here and is offering them all the necessary technical and educational assistance they require.

**Pilgrims' tents will be fireproof**

JEDDAH, June 13 (SPA) — The government has decided to apply fireproofing on all tents used to house the pilgrims in the holy places this year. The decision was taken Saturday at a meeting chaired by Makkah Governor Prince Majed, who heard a report submitted by the special committee formed for the purpose which included experts on the subject. Two million pilgrims gather in Arafat and Mina during the season, most of whom in tents.

The committee included the mayor of Makkah, the deputy minister of pilgrimage, the director of civil defense, the director of the project for development of Mina and the director of pilgrimage research at King Abdul Aziz University here.

The committee's secretary, Ali Abu Al Ula, said that fireproofing chemicals will be used and that funds will be allocated to cover the expenses expected.

**Filipino show extended**

JEDDAH, June 13 — To give another opportunity to Filipino workers in the Kingdom, the Leyte Kalipayao Company extended its performances until June 18, it was reported Saturday.

The company is displaying folk songs at the Philippine Center at Mussa'adiya, Hamra district. Gates open at six p.m. and performance starts at 7:30 every night from June 14 to 18.

**BRIEFS**

JEDDAH, June 13 — The Posts, Telegraph and Telephones Ministry will send a group of its national technicians to Japan shortly. The technicians will attend a one-year training course on distribution of telephones, according to *Al Medina* Saturday.

JEDDAH, June 13 — A delegation representing the Chamber of Commerce and Industry has returned from Italy after attending a furniture exhibition at the invitation of the Italian chamber. The team was led by Farid Jameel Hijazi, director of public relations.

RIYADH, June 13 — Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi said Saturday he has plans to reduce the program of sending certain categories of patients abroad but merely to offer better services here which might dispense with the need to patients elsewhere. Speaking to *Al Jazirah* he added that his ministry has some ambitious plans to improve the medical services allround.



BEAUTIFICATION: A Jeddah scene, part of the Municipality plan to beautify the city, demonstrates zodiac signs. Located on the Corniche, each sign has Arabic verses describing Jeddah. The Corniche, now extending from downtown to the Obhar creek is said to be one of the longest in the world. It has already cost several hundred million riyals and continues to expand. Roads, parking lots, play grounds, benches, trees and flower beds have been developed along the 70-kilometer beach.

**U.K. seeks expanded trade relations**

By a Staff Writer  
JEDDAH, June 13 — The British Minister of Foreign Trade Cecil Parkinson arrived here with a team of officials and businessmen to explore further possibilities for expanding trade relations and promoting the role that British companies can play in carrying out projects under the current three five-year plan.

He said on arrival here Friday night that his country was willing and ready to play a major role in building schools, housing projects, hospitals, agriculture, electricity generation, petrochemicals, desalination and many other light industries.

Parkinson, who will have talks with gov-

ernment officials and businessmen, said he will raise the possibility of joint ventures between Saudi Arabian and British companies for industrial purpose. "This will be the principal means by which we can transfer technology to the Kingdom in areas of administrative and technical skills," he said.

Britain is represented in the country by 300 companies and 30,000 citizens. Last year its share of the market rose to 8 percent. Exports to the Kingdom rose steadily from £577 million in 1977, to £786 million in 1978, to £894 million in 1979 to £1050 million last year, marking an increase of 17 percent over the year before. U.K. imports from here rose from £1095 million in 1977 to £1928 million

last year. The country competes with the Federal Republic of Germany and Italy for third place after the U.S. and Japan.

Parkinson said he was delighted to be here and hoped that the visit will lead to positive results for both countries. He said bilateral relations were further cemented by the recent visit of King Khaled to Britain and Mrs. Thatcher's visit to the Kingdom before that.

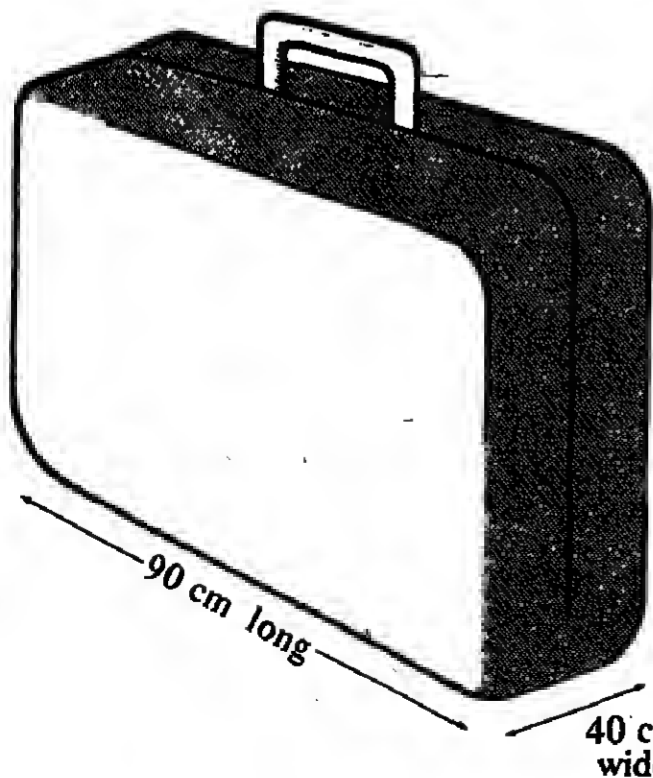
Last month Britain signed one of the largest contracts here with the National Guard to draw up and implement plans for the provision and development of medical services for the force. Its value amounted to SR1 billion. It includes administering and maintaining the Guard's hospital in Jeddah and related facilities. The hospital, built by the Belgian Eurosystem Health Consortium, has 500 beds, accommodation for the staff, power generating and water treatment plants, mosques, markets and schools with the latest medical treatment techniques.

The British government will also provide training facilities for Guard personnel in all fields of medical service including doctors, nurses, medical engineers, technicians, administrators, and others.

**Prayer Times**

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| Dhuhr (Noon)     | 12.21  | 12.22  | 11.53  | 11.40  | 12.04    | 12.34 |
| Asr (Evening)    | 3.40   | 3.42   | 3.14   | 3.06   | 3.30     | 4.05  |
| Maghreb (Sunset) | 7.05   | 7.12   | 6.44   | 6.34   | 6.59     | 7.33  |
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**SAPTCO, airport officials discuss improving transport**

By Wahib Ghorab

JEDDAH, June 13 — Officials of the International Airports Projects and the Saudi Arabian Public Transport Company (SAPTCO) are discussing improving bus transport services between King Abdul Aziz Airport and downtown Jeddah.

*Arab News* learnt Saturday that officials are studying the possibility of locating several bus stations to the airport in various parts of the city. The one station in downtown Jeddah might be increased to four or five, one each in the major districts.

Another prospect being discussed is the possibility of providing smaller buses to

operate after midnight that would take 25 passengers instead of the 40-passenger buses. SAPTCO now operates the larger buses according to the flight schedule of the airport after midnight, and that is causing inconvenience for passengers.

Regarding Saudi Limousine, a cab-service company, officials are investigating the company's compliance with prices agreed upon with the international airports projects. Fees range between SR30 from the airport to Medina Road, SR40 for downtown, SR50 for east Jeddah and SR80 for the southern part of the city. Saudi Limousine demanded SR100 for each trip, but later agreed on the above prices.

**Joint venture to make marble**

KAOHSIUNG, June 13 (CNA) — The Republic of China's Ret-ser Engineering Agency has entered a joint venture with Bin Ladin Organization to develop the marble mining and processing industry in Saudi Arabia, sources here said.

In Jeddah, the Chinese engineering and Saudi firms have invested \$7.5 million to establish the venture for processing marble stones from a mining site about 180 kilometers away. RSEA shares 40 percent and Bin Ladin, 60 percent. The investments are expected to receive good returns because marble tiles are in great demand in Saudi Arabia, the sources commented.

The Jeddah plant, which will start commercial operations by the end of this month, is capable of processing 1,000 square meters of marble daily at the initial stage. The joint venture will expand its plant to boost production in the near future, the sources added.

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For Eastern Province

# Social projects okayed

QATIF, June 13 (SPA) — The Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs has approved social projects worth SR537,000 in the Eastern Province for 1981/82, it was announced here Saturday.

The projects include housing improvement, youth activity, welfare of talented citizens, social education, mother and child care, women's library, cooking courses, tricot and tailoring courses, ladies' club, first-aid course, health education for women, cultural competitions and literacy courses, among others.

Dr. Said Atia Abu Aali, Eastern Province's education director and member of the minis-

try's Regional Development Committee, which approved the project, stated that the education department is ready to place its potentialities, such as the audio-visual means and films, at the disposal of the cultural center. Likewise, the Mayor of Qatif, the Director of Qatif hospital and the provincial health official said that they are ready to help the center with all possible material, documentaries on health, brochures and leaflets and other expertise, with a view to improving the environmental health and general sanitation in the region.

Meanwhile, the committee has recommended the setting up of a public library in Qatif; to boost the cultural movement in the province. It has also been agreed that the cultural center will coordinate with relevant departments in the opening of libraries and appointing a doctor to work permanently at the center's clinic.

Besides Dr. Abu Aali, the committee comprises Abdul Mohsin Al-Tamimi, regional director of social affairs; Dr. Ahmed Al-Rais, regional health representative; Sulaiman Muhammad Al-Khalewi, director of Qatif hospital; Muhammad Hassan Al-Sheikh Al-Matrouq, representative of Qatif municipality and Mansour Hilal, director of Qatif's social service center.

In another development, the General Assembly of Social Service Society in Saihat Friday approved the administrative and technical report of the Society for 1980/81. It also approved the Society's budget of SR16 million for 1981/82 for the new projects, which include new installations in the health complex, a therapeutic unit at the Society, children's parks, social centers for women, as well as other social projects to improve educational and health standard of the public.

The Society further resolved to form subsidiary committees to assist the board of directors. It also decided to dump its land lying northeast of the park, in order to use it for the establishment of some projects and public facilities.

The Society resolved to re-elect Sheikh Abdullah Salman Al-Matrouq and Ahmed Al-Hallal, as its president and vice-president, respectively.

# Petromin to train graduates

RIYADH, June 13 (SPA) — The General Organization for Petroleum and Mineral Resources (Petromin) has decided to send 20 university graduates to the U.S. to attend a program on administrative development, it was announced here Saturday.

The 24-month program aims at producing experts to reorganize and plan the programs of technical, administrative and vocational training within the framework of the state's general policy to develop manpower in the

country. The need for the development of native manpower was stressed in the third development plan to fill the various posts in different projects of Petromin.

Petromin has plans to organize other courses in the near future for the university graduates and holders of secondary and intermediate school certificates. Meanwhile, it has urged the graduates to make their contribution by accepting responsible jobs with its different projects in the country.

## SR 475,000

# Fund allotted for Quran study

AHSA, June 13 (SPA) — The Ministry of Education has allocated SR475,000 for the summer school for the memorization of the Holy Quran in Hofuf, it was announced Saturday.

The school has already begun enrolling new students for memorization courses which will be carried out in two sessions. The first session will be held from July 4 through 23 and the second from Aug. 8 through Sept. 26. A total of 265 students are expected to be enrolled from the fourth primary stage to the university stage, and those enrolled for summer study will be granted a stipend of SR200 and transportation facilities for the memor-

ization of each chapter of the Holy Book.

In a separate development, the Center of Sciences, Mathematics and Intermediate College in Dammam has announced that Wednesday will be the last day for the acceptance of admission applications at the center.

Muhammad Al-Mansour, dean of the college, has stated that the number of students to be admitted at the beginning of next autumn is estimated to be nearly 20, from Dammam, Abha and Hafr Al-Baten. In the meantime, he has called upon the graduates who fulfill the conditions for admission to benefit from the advantages being offered by the center during the study and even after graduation.

## COMMENT

By Salem Al-Ghamedi  
Al-Riyadh

The subject of student employment during the long summer vacation is raised at the end of every academic year. The students have been urging at every opportunity that employment opportunities be created for them to fill the long vacation with some productive work, but none of the private or public sectors have provided such opportunities for them according to their individual capability and academic qualification. Although some circles do engage students for work during the summer vacation, the large number of students who wish to benefit from their leisure still remain unemployed.

About a couple of years ago, a committee of officials from various government sectors met to study the subject. Following the meeting, a permanent secretariat was created to look after student employment,

playing the role of an intermediary between the types of jobs and work-seeking students. But, despite this long period, nothing has been done so far to help the students in finding jobs during their summer vacation. What the students really wish is that the resolution on their employment during the vacation does not meet the same fate as the decision on the system of hourly work, which has not yet come out of the official files despite orders from the concerned circles. There are quite a number of people who are eager to work after their official working hours and to benefit from this system.

Now that the schools, colleges and universities are about to be closed for summer vacation, will the officials concerned kindly move to put the resolution into effect, so that the students might get an opportunity to benefit financially from their long summer vacation?

# FROM THE GULF

DUBAI, June 13 (R) — The Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab Economic Development more than doubled its loans and grants to 1.1 billion UAE dirhams (\$300 million) last year, the fund's annual report said. The 1979 contributions totaled 506 million dirhams (\$138 million).

Projects assisted by the fund last year ranged from a fishery scheme in the Cape Verde Islands, which received four million dirhams (\$1 million) to a petrochemical plant in Turkey, which was allocated 100 million dirhams (\$27 million).

ABU DHABI, June 13 (WAM) — New Zealand's Prime Minister Robert David Muldoon made a stop-over Saturday at Abu Dhabi airport on his way to Rome. He was received at the airport by a number of senior officials from the Foreign Ministry and New Zealand's consul general in Bahrain.

AL-AIN, June 13 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan received at Al-Maqam Palace here Saturday the outgoing Pakistani Ambassador Rifat Pasha Sheikh, who came to bid him farewell at the end of his term of office in the UAE.

The president wished the ambassador success in the new job and asked him to convey his greetings to Pakistani President Zia-ul-Haq and best wishes for progress of the Pakistani people.

Ahmed Khalifa Al-Suweidi, the president's representative, was present at the meeting.

ABU DHABI, June 13 (WAM) — Large sums of dirhams (the UAE currency), are being exchanged for U.S. dollars to benefit from the high interest rates on the dollar which have reached record levels recently, the Arabic daily *Al Itihad* reported here Saturday.

Quoting Abdul Malik Al-Hamar, governor of the UAE Central Bank, the paper said that the government is taking a series of measures to maintain a certain level of liquidity of the dirham in the local markets.

He said that these measures included encouraging local investments and tightening the gap between the interest rates on the dollar and the UAE currency.

According to the newspaper, local banks are currently offering between 6.5 to 10.5 percent interest on the dirhams deposits against 15.1 to 17.5 percent on the dollar. The interest was between five to eight percent until Nov. 18 last year, when the then Currency Board, which was the only monetary authority, increased the interest rates to

maintain the local liquidity. But, despite all this, the UAE has benefited, along with all oil exporting countries, from the increasing rate of the dollar.

The U.S. currency is the only pricing unit of oil for the organization of petroleum exporting countries (OPEC). Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia's Finance Minister, Mohammed Abal Khail, has said in an interview with the Emirates News Agency (WAM) recently that the effects of the increase would compensate OPEC countries for part of the losses they sustained during the past two years.

AL-AIN, June 13 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan said here Saturday that his country is to support the development strategy to transfer technology to the Third World. "Knowledge is the only way for progress and prosperity to face the present challenges and serve the development process in the Third World", the president told the visiting Third World good-will delegation.

The United Nations delegation briefed Sheikh Zayed on its mission, which is to lay down a comprehensive plan for the transfer of technology to the Third World during the several years to come and possibility of promoting scientific research in these states. The delegation is led by Abdul Aziz bin Daa, Tunisian minister for higher education.

The president told the committee that the UAE is fully prepared to help support the committee's mission and will practically participate in its future works in laying down a joint plan for the developing countries in the field of transferring technology and science.

The committee comprises representatives from Tunisia, Sudan, Tanzania, Kenya, Guinea, Peru, Senegal and Sri Lanka.

The meeting was attended by Ahmed Khalifa Al-Suweidi, the president's representative; Said Salman, minister of education and youth and Mohsin Al-Farini, Tunisian ambassador to the UAE.

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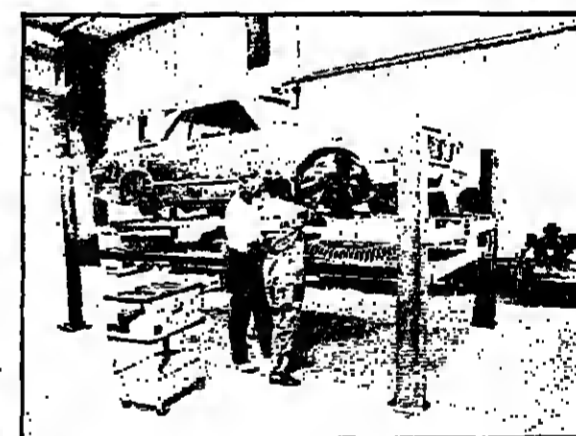
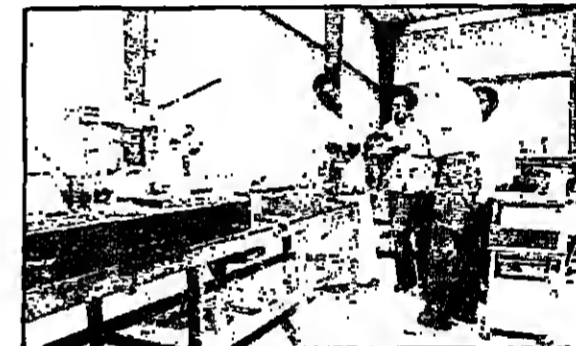
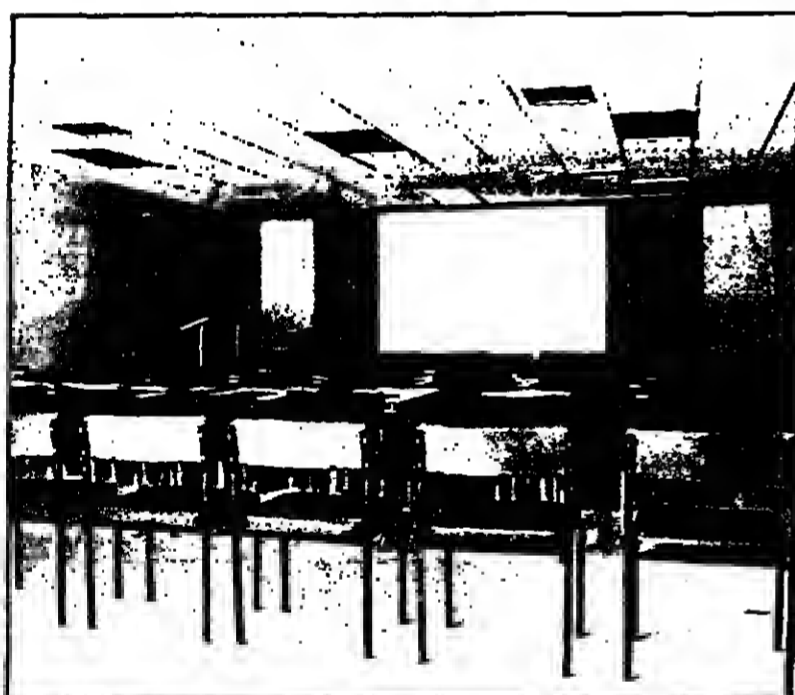
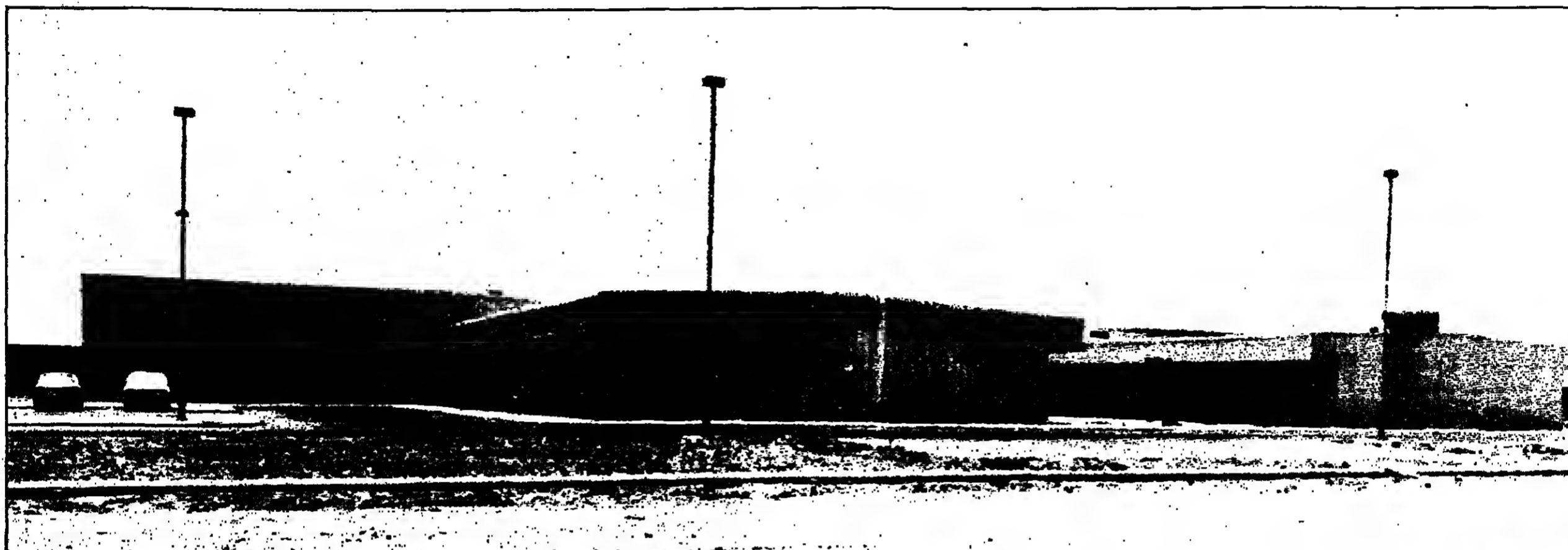
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# Higher European air fares forecast; many tourists expect to stay home

BRUSSELS, Belgium, (AP) — Tourists hoping for lower air fares within Europe this summer are going to be disappointed. The cost of flying from city to city will remain sky high despite new court suits by low fare advocates and gaudy advertisements of travel "deals" by major airlines.

"Airline fares within Europe are higher per-mile than ever and they're going to get higher," says Jean Aerts, a director of one of Belgium's largest travel agencies.

Here's an illustration: Sabena and Alitalia Airlines, the only carriers permitted to fly regularly scheduled flights from Brussels to Rome, are offering a rockbottom fare of \$270 on a roundtrip ticket.

The fare, which carries a severe restriction against refund and must be paid at the time of reservation, is about 5 percent higher than the lowest fare offered last year. On July 1, it will go up an additional 5 percent.

An "Apex" ticket from Brussels to New York, four times as far, costs about \$500 on Sabena, due mostly to competition for tourist dollars on the lucrative routes across the Atlantic Ocean.

According to a recent survey of air fares, the cost per mile of flying from Madrid to Stockholm is 30 cents, from London to Amsterdam 63 cents, and from Frankfurt to Rome 47 cents. These rates are about three times higher than the cost-per-mile of flights of comparable distances in the United States.

Freddie Laker, whose Laker Airways cut the cost of flying from New York to London in 1977, often a story about "a small boy living in Berlin who asks where New York is."

"I don't really know the answer," Laker quips, "but according to the air fare it is somewhere between Frankfurt and Hamburg."

Laker has had no success breaking into the intra-European market because his airline can't get route licenses, which are tightly held to protect national airlines like Sabena of Belgium, Alitalia of Italy, KLM of the Netherlands and Air France of France.

Laker and Lord Bethell, a British member of the European Economic Community (EEC) Parliament, are trying to bust the monopoly by bringing court suits. — Laker in Britain, — and Bethell before the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg.

Bethell argues that the 10-nation EEC is not enforcing its own antitrust legislation to stop national airlines and the International Air Transport Association (IATA) from fixing the price of tickets and allocating routes.

Breaking monopolies, Bethell and Laker argue, will open up lucrative routes to more competition and lower prices. The EEC Executive Commission has already ruled that the treaty establishing the trading bloc in 1958 does not exempt airlines from antitrust rules. But its opinion is not binding on

member governments.

Even if the Bethell and Laker court suits are successful, it would be years before they could take effect.

IATA Director General Knut Hammarskjold blames the high European fares on increased labor costs, landing charges and soaring fuel bills.

"Compare the cost differentials, which explain much of the fare differentials: Fuel twice the price of the U.S., Landing fees and enroute charges up to seven times higher than in the U.S.; and Higher labor and social costs," Hammarskjold said in a recent speech.

"Cost increases last year were of the order of 25-26 percent world-wide, whereas revenues increased by 19-20 percent," Hammarskjold said. "I do not think the present year will be much better."

IATA officials meeting in Geneva this month said they expected the world's main airlines to lose \$2.6 billion this year. They cited the economic recession as one of the causes for losses in Europe, since it has made vacationers more cautious about taking long trips and has cut business travel.

Frederick Sorensen, head of the EEC commission's air transport division, says the economic problems have stiffened opposition to overhauling the fares system.

"A lot depends on the length and breadth of the recession," he said.



IN BELGIUM: Local residents will probably stay closer to home due to rising air fares. Here four new giants celebrate the 25th anniversary of the King of Belgium's accession to the throne. Giants always participate in Belgian folklore parades.

# Tasty food packaging unwrapped

By a Science Correspondent

The latest in food packaging promises to keep food fresh for years without sacrificing flavor or texture — and could put home-cooking out of business.

Continental Kitchens in New York City have developed a food packaging method which combines the convenience of boil-in-the-pouch frozen foods and the lightweight, non-refrigeration features of freeze-dried products.

The company says the process seals in freshness without adding preservatives or the need for freezing, refrigeration or freeze-drying the pouched food. The food is ready in five minutes, they add, and requires no messy cleanup.

The pouch, made of a three-ply laminated material consisting of a transparent polyester on the outside, aluminum foil in the middle and polypropylene on inside, is claimed to keep food fresh for up to seven years.

The advantages of food in these special pouches over either the canned or frozen variety are obvious: pouches are easy and light to ship, store and carry. They do not require refrigeration, are durable, and produce a meal in minutes by immersion in boiling water. Equally important, stress the manufacturers, the food tastes good.

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# Americans blacklist American editor

KANSAS CITY, Missouri — Speaking out publicly and writing about Israeli terrorism, labor camps and his opinion about the Middle East crisis almost cost editor and author James Taylor his life on Feb. 28, 1981. On April 17, 1981 it cost him a job he had held for more than 24 years with *TV Guide Magazine*.

Taylor claims his life was threatened several times, even before his latest book, *Pearl Harbor II* was published.

After Taylor's book was published, in November, 1980, several U.S. Senators, including Sen. Adlai Stevenson of Illinois, as chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, was prompted by *Pearl Harbor II* and James Ennis's *Attack on the Liberty* to put pressure on Israel to pay for the American ship it destroyed in 1967. Under protest, and after threats that drastic reductions in America's longstanding aid to Israel could result, it was agreed that \$6 million would be paid for the \$25 million ship.

Taylor, who is a native-born, American citizen, whose ancestors lived in the United States for more than 300 years, immediately began to be harassed by threatening messages from the Jewish Defense League and other radical Zionist organizations.

"The harassment directed at me is due to my commentary about the USS *Liberty* due to my exposure of Israeli slave-labor camps in the northwestern Sinai and my writings about the giant Israeli concentration camp at Abu Zucima, where families of suspected but unapprehended Palestinian guerrillas are sent to be held as hostages until the suspects are caught, tortured or killed," Taylor explained. "I believe that Israeli aggression



JIM TAYLOR: After spending more than two decades with *TV Guide* in Kansas City he now finds himself in dire need because he told the truth about Israeli aggressive acts.

books. He displays numerous letters of commendation for doing an excellent job as proof that his "incompetence" was not the real reason for his dismissal.

As if all of the above events were not enough, when Taylor attempted to find a new job he found he had been blacklisted by Zionists who, he says, "control the policies of the U.S. government and all types of businesses."

"I have been unable to find any U.S. newspaper, magazine or publishing company which is willing to hire me," Taylor explains. "Not only am I unable to work in the United States, no newspaper there will mention my name or the name of my new book."

"When every newspaper in the U.S., without one single exception, agrees never to mention an author or his book, you do not have any freedom of the press, as is supposed to be guaranteed by the U.S. constitution," Taylor says. "Americans like to condemn the Soviet Union for the lack of freedom for its people, harassment of individuals, various thought control programs and suppression of the press. How is what has been done to me any different?" Due to the fact that no one will hire him, Taylor is in dire financial straits and has been threatened with the loss of his home.

"The reason for all this is because I had the courage to break the U.S. conspiracy of silence about Israeli terrorism and the destruction of the USS *Liberty*," he says. "If radicals succeed in taking my life, I want the world to know that it was for a good cause and that I still believe that what has been done to the Arab population in the Middle East since 1948 is one of the greatest injustices in the history of mankind."

# Pressures of home, school are cited for high Hong Kong youth suicide rate

By Ronnie Wu

HONG KONG, (AP) — Yung Wai-Kai, 12, hurled himself to death from a 24-story building on June 4. A month earlier, Kwun Wai-Chee, 13, and Fung Sheung-Kun, 14, bound their hands together with a rope and leaped from the roof of a 26-story apartment complex.

Police said the two left a note saying they committed suicides because they could no longer cope with pressure from their school and families. Their parents could not be reached for comment on the suicides.

Children in Hong Kong face increasingly keen competition in schools, high expectations from parents to perform well in school and changing family patterns. Some social workers and teachers attributed the deaths to pressures of this kind.

Vanda Scott of the Hong Kong Samaritan Befrienders (caps S B) said the tendency toward young suicides in Hong Kong is increasing. The Samaritan Befrienders, a privately sponsored organization, runs a 24-hour emergency telephone service for the suicidal, the lonely and the despairing.

In an interview, Mrs. Scott said among some 11,000 telephone calls the organization received last year, 18 percent came from persons aged 10 to 19 compared with a 4 percent in the previous year.

Official statistics showed the number of suicides among youths under 20 increased

from 21 in 1979 to 30 in 1980. The English-language *South China Morning Post* reported six student suicides between May 1 and June 4.

Rev. John Collins, a school teacher turned social worker, blamed the deaths mainly on Hong Kong's educational system. The Jesuit priest said pressure is applied to children after they enter kindergartens where five-year-olds often have to undergo weekly tests. The pressure is kept up until they leave schools, he said.

Collins said many teachers believe tests in kindergartens are necessary because many schools impose tough entrance examinations for first graders.

A spokesman for the Education Department said no entrance exams are needed for students entering government and government-aided grade schools although interviews are required.

Collins said these interviews could be "terrifying experiences."

Hong Kong has only nine years of free and compulsory education and students who fail to reach certain standards have either to drop out or try their luck in less prestigious private schools where tuitions are considerably higher.

Out of 95,000 ninth graders in Hong Kong last year, only 20,000 were eligible to enter government or government aided senior highs. An education department spokesman said the number seats in these schools will be significantly increased this fall.

Mrs. Scott saw no single cause for the suicides, but blamed the educational system, family pressure, the increase of divorce and disintegration of traditional Chinese family structures.

As schools set higher academic standards, she said, parents demand more from their children.

"We often receive calls from young children who cry for help because they can't keep up with their school work," she said, "and just as often we receive calls from desperate mothers who want to know how to make their children work harder."

Regarding their children, Mrs. Scott added, "Many Chinese families just can't accept failures."

Mrs. Scott said there is no way to pinpoint the reasons for the increasing numbers of suicides, but added: "All we know is that they are under heavy pressure and we are trying our best to see how we can ease their tension."

Luncheon meeting

RIYADH, June 13 — The Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Jacques Roy will be the featured speaker during the Wednesday, June 17, meeting of the Riyadh International Businessmen's Association. The luncheon meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. at the Hotel Al Khozama.

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Spinks concedes fight in third

Holmes punches his way to WBC crown

DETROIT, Michigan, June 13 (AP) — Larry Holmes knocked Leon Spinks down with a series of head shots, then stopped him with another barrage of blows in the third round to retain his World Boxing Council heavyweight championship Friday night.

The 6-foot-3 Holmes, who had a five-inch reach advantage over Spinks and at 212 1/2 lb outweighed Spinks by 12 pounds, came out in the first round moving from side to side, keeping Spinks off balance by changing the angles.

Mamby gains the verdict

DETROIT, Michigan, June 13 (AP) — Saul Mambly, combining ring generalship with effective body punching, pounded out a unanimous 15-round decision over Jo Kimpanui Friday night and retained the World Boxing Council super lightweight championship.

with a couple of solid rights. The round ended in confusion when a couple of Holmes' cornermen thought the bell had rung and got into the ring.

Baseball fans left high and dry

action in the fourth and fifth rounds, but Mamby took complete control in the sixth when he hurt the challenger badly with a savage hook to the body.

radar accuracy. He landed about 10 or 12 shots, climaxed by a right that dropped the challenger on his hands and knees. He struggled up, but it was only a matter of time.

Major league talks run into snags

NEW YORK, June 13 (AP) — U.S. major league baseball players went on strike Friday, and the clubs said the season was canceled "until further notice" after 2 1/2 hours of fruitless negotiations.

Scots beaten in N. Zealand

AUCKLAND New Zealand, June 13 (AP) — All the luck was with the all-blacks on Friday as they defeated the touring Scottish by team 11-4 at Carisbrook, Dunedin, on Sunday.

Kevin Curren makes exit McEnroe crushes Pfister to make semis

LONDON, June 13 (AP) — John McEnroe crushed Hank Pfister 6-2, 7-5 Friday to move into the semifinals of the \$150,000 Stella Artois Grand Prix Tennis Tournament at London's Queen's Club and then launched a blistering attack on the umpire.

thought I had it won," he admitted. Sadri said: "I paid the penalty for not warning up properly, but when I got into the match I was really pleased with my form."

Grass Courts Tennis Championship at Eton and Sunningdale Friday. After 90 minutes she found herself backed into a corner battling for survival.

Two struggles to make final

HONG KONG, June 13 (R) — Topped Guo Yuchua of China, the world number one, swept into the final of the World Table Tennis Championship with a 19, 19-21, 8-21, 21-17, 21-16 victory over Andrej Grubba of Poland here Saturday.

Blyth keeps ahead

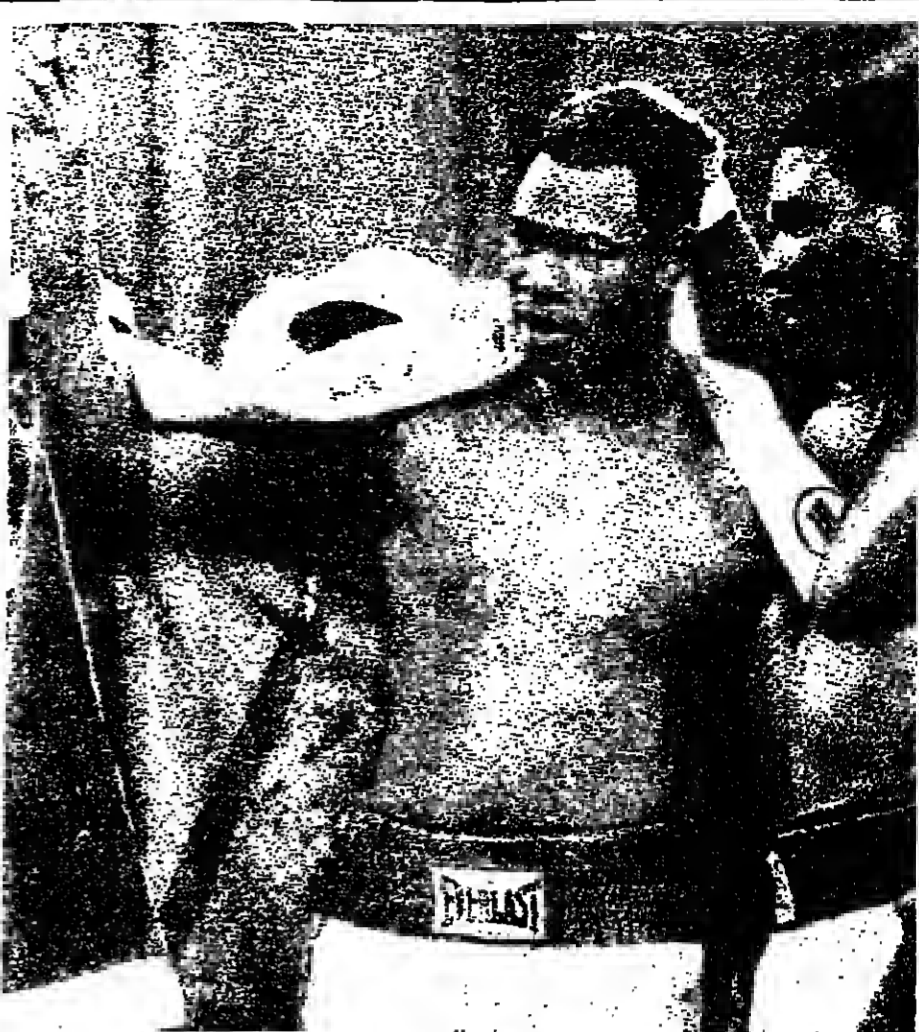
PLYMOUTH, England, June 13 (AP) — Chay Blyth of Britain led the Transatlantic Yacht Race Saturday in his 65-foot trimaran, Britany Ferries GB, at the halfway stage of the 3,000-mile voyage, organizers reported here.

Greenidge hits breezy ton

LONDON, June 13 (AP) — West Indies opener Gordon Greenidge paved the way for Hampshire's first championship victory of the season by five wickets against Glamorgan at Bournemouth Friday when he drove with supreme power for two sixes and 10 fours in scoring 115 in 143 minutes.

World Chess tie put off

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands June 13 (AP) — The World Chess Championship tie between expatriate Soviet grandmaster Viktor Korchnoi and reigning title-holder Anatoly Karpov of the Soviet Union has been postponed by a month in an effort to secure visas for Korchnoi's wife and son, the World Chess Federation (FIDE) announced Friday.



CHEERS: Larry Holmes acknowledges the cheers from the huge crowd with a raised hand after stopping ex-champion Leon Spinks in the third round to retain the WBC title for the 10th time Friday.

In Military soccer Kuwait held by Qatar

DOHA, June 13 (Agencies) — Kuwait and Qatar drew 1-1 in the 30th International Military Football Championship Friday night.

Czech attacks in the second half and kept up strong pressure on the Czechs, notably with attacks inspired by Vitor and pushed through by Lela.

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Guo, who beat Ulf Carlsson of Sweden in a quarterfinals earlier, will meet eighth-seeded Isvan Jonyer of Hungary in the final Friday.

McEnroe was at one stage warned for using obscene language, but told Stirk: "The only thing that's obscene about this match is your calling."

Victory Salute: John McEnroe raises his racket in salute after crushing Hank Pfister to march into the semifinals of the Stella Artois Grand Prix, Friday.

Greenidge hit a breezy ton of 115 in 143 minutes. Set a target of 299 in nearly 5 1/2 hours, Greenidge's onslaught put on 180 for the first wicket with Tim Tremlett.

Thompson, Gilbert share lead

TARRISON, New York, June 13 (AP) — Gibby Gilbert fought his way back from a first-hole triple bogey, managed a 3-under-par 68 and tied close friend Leonard Thompson for the second round lead Friday in the \$400,000 Manufacturers Hanover Westchester Golf Classic.

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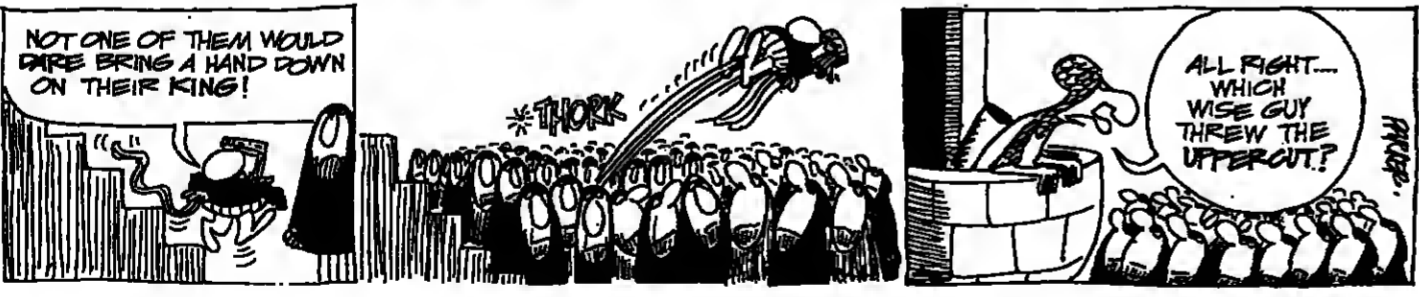
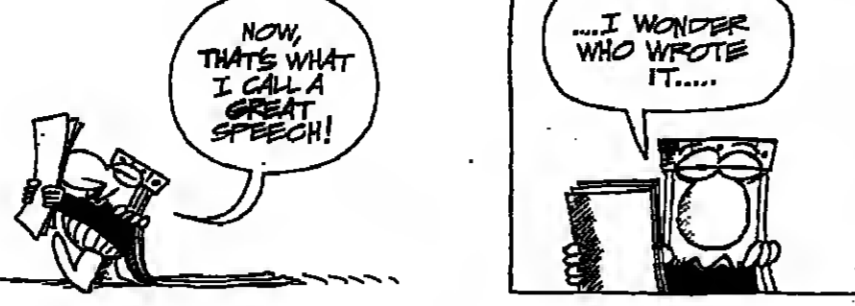
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## Your Individual Horoscope

FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)  
Mildly deceptive trends require care in business negotiations. Consult with advisers. Unexpected visitors upset your routine.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20)  
Don't overextend credit. It's an up-and-down time with close ties, who are prone to act in surprising ways. Be flexible.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)  
Health may be sluggish now. Take a nap to restore vitality. You may be nervous about romance. Seek ways to cut down on distractions.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)  
Your pace is hectic now. Either you or a loved one could become overtired. Mischievous children could test your patience.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)  
Crosscurrents affect family relations. Domestic concerns may make you feel not up to having company. Be realistic in romance.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)  
Social plans are subject to change. Watch out for double dealing in the area of finances.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)  
Others may not be straining forward. Avoid misunderstandings. Too much socializing could strain your financial situation.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)  
An element of confusion affects money dealings; others. Romance is exciting but perhaps not reliable. Careful of misplaced affect.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)  
A backlog of unfinished tasks weighs on you. You make some progress in taking them, but perhaps not much as you'd like.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)  
Try to restrict your schedule to those for which you really care. You may have overcommitted yourself. Avoid superficial ties.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)  
An off-again, on-again business deal keeps you preoccupied. Consult with advisers but refrain from mix business and pleasure.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)  
A love-at-first-sight situation can leave you somewhat perplexed. Surprising someone at a distance is you solve a problem.

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| 5:07 | Call it Mancuso      | Call it Mancuso      | 8:09  | Twenty-Four Hours | Twenty-Four Hours | 11:09 | World News | World News |
| 5:31 | Wide World of Sports | Wide World of Sports | 8:30  | Sarah Ward        | Sarah Ward        | 11:15 | World News | World News |
| 6:24 | Barney Miller        | Barney Miller        | 9:30  | Open Star         | Open Star         | 12:00 | World News | World News |
| 6:29 | Yesterday's Glitter  | Yesterday's Glitter  | 9:30  | World News        | World News        | 12:09 | World News | World News |
| 7:23 | Cosmos               | Cosmos               | 10:00 | World News        | World News        | 12:15 | World News | World News |
| 8:22 | Rockford Files       | Rockford Files       | 10:09 | World News        | World News        | 12:30 | World News | World News |
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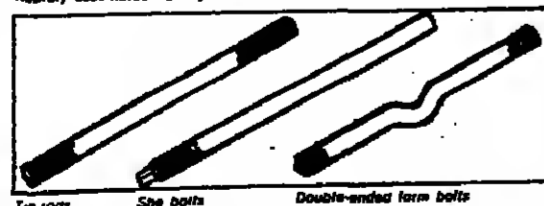
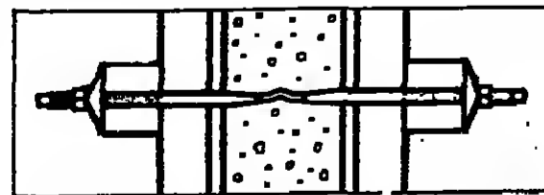
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